



United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:
7202.4-OS-2019-01000

August 23, 2019

Via email: brad@westernvaluesproject.org

Brad Hennessy
Western Values Project
704C East 13th Street
Suite 568
Whitefish, MT 59937

Dear Mr. Hennessy:

On June 21, 2019, you filed a FOIA request seeking the following:

Access to and copies of all emails, Bison Connect messages, Google chat messages, text messages, WhatsApp messages, Signal messages, faxes, Facebook messages, Microsoft Lync message, Twitter direct messages, or any and all messages delivered by hand or by courier, between David Bernhardt and any individuals at the following organizations:

- Brownstein Hyatt (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @bhfs.com)
- Active Network LLC (formerly known as Aspira) (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @activenetwork.com)
- Cadiz Inc. (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @cadizinc.com)
- Center for Environmental Science Accuracy and Reliability (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @bestscience.org)
- Cobalt International Energy (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @cobaltintl.com)
- Eni Petroleum (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @eni.com)
- Forest County Potawatomi Community (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @fcpotawatomi-nsn.gov)
- Garrison Diversion Irrigation District (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @garrisondiv.org)
- Halliburton Energy Services LLC (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @halliburton.com)
- Hudbay (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @hudbayminerals.com)

- Independent Petroleum Association of America (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @ipaa.org)
- Don Klees
- National Ocean Industry Association (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @noia.org)
- Noble Energy Company LLC (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @nblenergy.com)
- NRG Energy Inc (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @nrg.com)
- Rosemont Copper Co (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @rosemontcopper.com)
- Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @syrwd.org)
- Semptra Energy (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @semptra.com)
- Statoil Gulf Services LLC [now known as Equinor Gulf Services] (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @equinor.com)
- Statoil Wind LLC (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @equinor.com)
- Targa Resources Company LLC (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @targaresources.com)
- Taylor Energy Company LLC (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @taylorenenergy.com)
- U.S. Oil and Gas Association (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @usoga.org)
- UBE PC (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @ube.com)
- Westlands Water District (including, but not limited to all communications with any email address ending in @westlandswater.org)

In addition, I request access to and copies of all documents in each Surname folder for each of the following individuals, as maintained by the Office of Executive Secretariat:

- Peter N. Brown, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Beth Collins, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Diana C. De Felice, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Mark J. Matthews, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Jon Hrobsky, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Luke Johnson, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Lawrence J. "Larry" Jensen, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Ryan A. Smith, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Ryan Waterman, of Brownstein Hyatt
- Evan Davies, President of Active Network, LLC
- Scott S. Slater, Chief Executive Officer & President of Cadiz, Inc.

- Craig Manson, Executive Director of CESAR
- William P. Utt, Chairman of Cobalt International Energy
- Timothy J. Cutt, CEO of Cobalt International Energy
- Emma Marcegaglia, Chairwoman of Eni Petroleum
- Claudio Descalzi, Chief Executive Officer of Eni Petroleum
- Ned Daniels Jr., Forest County Potawatomi Tribal Chairman
- Harold "Gus" Frank, former Forest County Potawatomi Chairman
- Ken Royse, Chairman of the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District
- David Lesar, former chair of Halliburton Energy Services, LLC
- Jeff Miller, President, CEO, & Chairman of the Board of Halliburton Energy Services, LLC
- Alan Hair, President and Chief Executive Officer of Hudbay
- Steven B. Hinchman, Chair of IPAA
- Randall Luthi, President of NOIA
- David L. Stover, Chairman and CEO of Noble Energy
- Mauricio Gutierrez, President and CEO of NRG Energy
- Rodney O. Pace, Chief Executive Officer, President and Chief Operating Officer of Rosemont Copper Company
- Harlan Burchardi, Division 1 Representative for Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1
- Debra L. Reed, Executive Chairman of Semptra Energy
- Jon Erik Reinhardsen, Chair of Equinor
- Eldar Sætre, CEO of Equinor
- Joe Bob Perkins, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Targa Resources
- Matthew J. Meloy, President of Targa Resources
- Phyllis M. Taylor, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Taylor Energy
- Albert L. Modiano, President of US Oil & Gas Association
- Michio Takeshita, Chairman of the Board & Director of UBE Industries
- Yuzuru Yamamoto, President of UBE Industries
- Thomas W. Birmingham, General Manager of Westlands Water District
- Jon. D Rubin, General Counsel of Westlands Water District
- John "Johnny" Amarol, Government Relations for Westlands Water District
- Don Peracchi, President of the Board of Westlands Water District

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on June 24, 2019, and assigned control number **OS-2019-01000**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

We are writing today to provide a response to the first part of your request. Please find enclosed 1 file containing 88 pages of responsive records. 66 pages are released in their entirety and 22 pages contained information redacted as described below.

Portions of the enclosed documents have been redacted pursuant to Exemption 5 of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(5)) under the following privileges:

Confidential Commercial Information

Exemption 5 allows an agency to withhold “inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party... in litigation with the agency” 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(5). As such, the Exemption 5 “exempt[s] those documents... normally privileged in the civil discovery context.” National Labor Relations Bd. v. Sears, Roebuck & Co., 421 U.S. 132, 149 (1975). The exemption incorporates the privileges that protect materials from discovery in litigation. These privileges include deliberative process, confidential commercial information, attorney work-product, and attorney-client. See id.; see also Federal Open Market Committee v. Merrill, 443 U.S. 340, 363 (1979) (finding a confidential commercial information privilege under Exemption 5).

Confidential Commercial Information Privilege

When the government enters the marketplace as an ordinary commercial buyer or seller, the government information is protected from competitive disadvantage under Exemption 5. Government Land Bank v. General Services Administration, 671 F.2d 663, 665 (1st Cir. 1982). Exemption 5 prevails “where the document contains ‘sensitive information not otherwise available,’ and disclosure would significantly harm the government’s commercial interest.” Id. at 666; see also Merrill, 443 U.S. at 363.

Pursuant to the confidential commercial information privilege, conference call codes and passcodes have been withheld under Exemption 5. This information constitutes “intra-agency” documents because they are only shared with members of the Department of the Interior for the purpose of conducting official government business. Moreover, this information qualifies as “confidential commercial information” because the government entered the marketplace as an ordinary commercial buyer.

In line with Land Bank and Merrill, the information is “sensitive and not otherwise available.” If the information was released, the government’s financial interest would be significantly harmed. The conference calls would no longer be private since unknown, non-governmental parties would have the ability to listen in to the calls. The funds spent on purchasing the information would therefore be wasted, and the information would be of no use.

Because we reasonably foresee that the release of this information would significantly harm the government’s financial interest by publicizing sensitive information, the Office of the Secretary is withholding it in accordance with Exemption 5 of the FOIA.

Portions of the uploaded documents have been redacted pursuant to Exemption 6 of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6)) because they fit certain categories of information:

Personal email addresses

Personal telephone numbers

Exemption 6 allows an agency to withhold “personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.” The courts have held that the phrase “similar files” involves all information that applies to a particular person. Hertzberg v. Veneman, 273 F. Supp. 2d 67, 85 n.11 (D.D.C. 2003).

To determine whether releasing requested information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, we are required to perform a “balancing test.” This means that we must weigh the individual’s right to privacy against the public’s right to disclosure.

- (1) First, we must determine whether the individual has a discernible privacy interest in the information that has been requested.
- (2) Next, we must determine whether release of this information would serve “the public interest generally” (i.e., would “shed light on the performance of the agency's statutory duties”).
- (3) Finally, we must determine whether the public interest in disclosure is greater than the privacy interest of the individual in withholding.

The information that we are withholding consists of personal information, and we have determined that the individuals to whom this information pertains have a substantial privacy interest in it. Additionally, we have determined that the disclosure of this information would shed little or no light on the performance of the agency’s statutory duties and that, on balance, the public interest to be served by its disclosure does not outweigh the privacy interest of the individuals in question, in withholding it. Nat’l Ass’n of Retired Fed. Employees v. Horner, 879 F.2d 873, 879 (D.C. Cir. 1989).

In summation, we have determined that release of the information that we have withheld would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the privacy of these individuals, and that it therefore may be withheld, pursuant to Exemption 6. Moreover, we reasonably foresee that disclosure would harm an interested protected by Exemption 6.

Tony Irish, Attorney- Advisor with the Office of the Solicitor, was consulted in reaching this decision. Clarice Julka, FOIA Officer, is responsible for making this decision.

We have classified your request as an “other-use request.” As an “other-use requester” you are entitled to up to 2 hours of search time and 100 pages of photocopies before being charged for the processing of FOIA requests. As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed \$50.00 because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. (See 43 C.F.R. §§ 2.39, 2.49(a)(1)).

Because your entitlements as an “other-use requester” (see 43 C.F.R. § 2.39) were sufficient to cover all applicable FOIA charges, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request.

Appeals

You may appeal this decision to the Department's FOIA Appeals Officer. The FOIA Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal no later than 90 workdays from the date of this final letter responding to your FOIA request. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 PM Eastern time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday. Your appeal must be in writing and addressed to:

FOIA Appeals Officer
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W., MS 6556
Washington, D.C. 20240

Fax: 202-208-6677

E-mail: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

You must include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and the Office of the Secretary concerning your FOIA request, including a copy of your original FOIA request and the denial letter. Failure to include this documentation with your appeal will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal. All communications concerning your appeal, including envelopes, should be clearly marked with the words "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." Your letter should include in as much detail as possible any reason(s) why you believe the Office of the Secretary's response is in error. For more information on FOIA Administrative Appeals, you may review Subpart H of the Department's FOIA regulations, 43 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart H.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

As part of the 2007 FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Web: <https://ogis.archives.gov>
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Once we have completed the search for the second part of your request, we will provide a final response. If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Justin Davis by phone 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at osfoia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240

Sincerely,

CLARICE JULKA

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Clarice Julka
Office of the Secretary
FOIA Officer

Enclosure

From: [Funes, Jason](#)
Subject: Blackfeet Tribe's Water Rights Compact Signing Ceremony **RSVP Request**
Date: Monday, June 4, 2018 4:41:53 PM

Please join U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 to celebrate the signing of the Blackfeet Tribe's Water Rights Compact.

Time/Date: Tuesday, June 12, 2018, 10:00 am EDT

Location:
U.S. Department of the Interior
South Penthouse
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

We hope you are able to join Secretary Zinke and ask that you RSVP to confirm your attendance by clicking [here](#) or contacting Jason Funes at jason_funes@ios.doi.gov

Thank you,
Jason Funes
Special Assistant
Intergovernmental and External Affairs
Office of the Secretary
Department of the Interior
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From: [Brownstein Communications](#)
To: [David Bernhardt](#)
Subject: Governor John Hickenlooper's Former Chief of Staff – Doug Friednash – Returns to Brownstein
Date: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 4:32:58 PM

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Governor John Hickenlooper's Former Chief of Staff – Doug Friednash – Returns to Brownstein

[Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck](#) is pleased to announce that [Douglas "Doug" J. Friednash](#), one of Denver's leading attorneys, has returned to the firm as a shareholder after nearly three years as Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper's chief of staff. A Denver native, Friednash joins the firm's nationally renowned [Government Relations Department](#) and will chair a

new, national political strategies practice group that will coalesce the firm's ability to solve policy, regulatory and legal problems for the firm's clients.

"Our firm was built on a commitment to public service and we're delighted to welcome Doug back to the firm following the tremendous contributions he made to Colorado as Governor Hickenlooper's chief of staff," said [Adam Agron](#), Brownstein's managing partner. "As an attorney who has spent his entire career operating at the intersection of business, law and politics, Doug has much to contribute to our firm and our clients."

Since January 2015, Friednash served as chief of staff to Gov. Hickenlooper. In this role, he served as the lead staff member of the administration and oversaw the management of state agencies, advised the governor and cabinet members on key issues and provided crisis management leadership, helped to fill critical positions within the cabinet and senior staff and was responsible for implementing Gov. Hickenlooper's statewide policy and legislative initiatives.

"We will miss Doug greatly and wish him much success as he returns to the career he loves," said Gov. Hickenlooper. "There's no role a governor values more than that of the chief of staff. Doug brought critical experience and guidance to our team."

Prior to his role at the governor's office, Friednash served as a shareholder in Brownstein's Government Relations Department where he worked on several high-level legal and government affairs issues, including negotiating a deal that brought Panasonic Enterprise Solutions to Denver's aerotropolis (airport city).

Before joining Brownstein in 2013, Friednash spent two years serving as Denver's city attorney, managing more than 100 attorneys and 90 staff members including paralegals, victim advocates, and other support and supervisory staff members. His team supported the mayor, auditor, the Clerk and Recorder, City Council and all city agencies, departments, boards and commissions from Denver International Airport to the Denver Police Department. In this role, he represented Mayor Michael Hancock in all matters involving the administration as well as municipal operations, litigation and airport legal services.

Before joining Mayor Hancock's team, Friednash was a shareholder at Greenberg Traurig, where he represented clients in governmental matters and election issues. He was lead counsel in *Ritchie v. Ritter*, where he represented a coalition of groups challenging the constitutionality of Colorado's Amendment 54, and was counsel to Mark Udall's campaign for U.S. Senate.

Previously, he served as lead counsel to the First Amendment Council, a coalition of Colorado-based individuals, nonprofit corporations and businesses that challenged the constitutionality of Amendment 41 in *Developmental Pathways v. Ritter*. Friednash also handled campaign finance litigation, successfully defending a campaign finance case filed by Clear the Bench against the Colorado Bar Association, University of Denver and League of Women Voters. Friednash successfully represented Congressman Mike Coffman in defense of ethics charges brought by Colorado Ethics Watch. He has also represented numerous candidate, political and issue campaigns. Prior to that, Friednash worked on the Dukakis presidential campaign in 1987 and 1988

before returning to Colorado to work in the Colorado Attorney General's Office, Criminal Enforcement Section. In 1992, he was elected to the Colorado House of Representatives where he served two terms.

Friednash has received numerous recognitions including University of Colorado School of Law's Pay It Forward Award (2014), National Hispanic Bar Association's Diversity and Inclusion Award (2013), America's Leading Business Lawyers, Chambers USA (2011, 2010), Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce's Chamber Champion (2011), *Denver Business Journal's* Power Book Award – Law Category (2011), *Law Week Colorado's* Best Government Lawyer, Barrister's Best (2009-2010) and *Law Week Colorado's* Lawyer of the Year (2009).

In addition to his commitment as an attorney, Friednash has a long history of giving back to the community through his efforts with numerous university and nonprofit organizations.

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Subject: Address Change--Please Note
Date: Wednesday, June 6, 2018 4:38:08 PM

Please note that my email address has changed. While I am hopeful that my old email will be forwarded to me, that is uncertain at this time. If you get a bounce back on the old email address, please try to use this new address. I also have a DC office address and phone number, but to avoid confusion, please use the address below.

Alan Mikkelsen
Senior Adviser to the Secretary
Water and Western Resource Issues

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Cc: [David Bernhardt](#)
Subject: Fwd: Oil's Heavy Hitters Line Up to Dive Into Mexico's Deep Waters
Date: Saturday, January 27, 2018 5:19:37 PM

Mexico knocking on our backdoor

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Date: January 27, 2018 at 5:16:57 PM EST
To: Scott Angelle <scott.angelle@bsee.gov>
Subject: Oil's Heavy Hitters Line Up to Dive Into Mexico's Deep Waters

THE FOLLOWING RIGZONE NEWS ARTICLE WAS SENT TO YOU

Oil's Heavy Hitters Line Up to Dive Into Mexico's Deep Waters

Saturday, January 27, 2018

The sale will be Mexico's biggest, in terms of fields and expected investment, since Pemex's monopoly ended in 2013.

http://www.rigzone.com/news/oil_gas/a/153293/Oils_Heavy_Hitters_Line_Up_to_Dive_Into_Mexicos_Deep_Waters

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Subject: Joint Trades Letter on Interior Mitigation Policies
Date: Tuesday, March 27, 2018 6:05:12 PM
Attachments: [Joint Trades Letter re Mitigation Policies 3.27.18.pdf](#)

Good afternoon all,

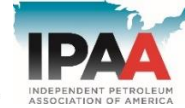
On behalf of the organizations listed below, I want to share the attached letter on the Department of the Interior's mitigation policies. The letter was submitted through *regulations.gov* in response to the *Federal Register* notice on DOI Regulatory Reform. We greatly appreciate your continued efforts on this important topic, and we're happy to answer any questions you may have.

Signatories:

Western Energy Alliance
American Petroleum Institute
American Exploration & Production Council
Independent Petroleum Association of America
Colorado Oil & Gas Association
Montana Petroleum Association
North Dakota Petroleum Council
Petroleum Association of Wyoming
Texas Oil and Gas Association
Treasure State Resources Association of Montana

Thank you,

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tparks@westernenergyalliance.org



March 27, 2018

Mr. David Bernhardt
Deputy Secretary
U.S. Department of the Interior
1859 C Street, NW
Washington D.C. 20240

Dear. Mr. Bernhardt,

We would like to thank you and the Department of the Interior (DOI) for recent actions that rescinded and revised mitigation policies that far exceeded statutory authority. The oil and natural gas industry continues to follow the statutory mitigation hierarchy to avoid, minimize, rectify, reduce and compensate for the impacts to lands and natural resources from energy development that powers our Nation. We look forward to working with DOI in developing reasonable mitigation policies that allow for the proper balance of species and habitat conservation with responsible resource development.

The trades represented on this letter collectively represent the oil and natural gas industry across the United States at the national, regional, and state level. Our member companies operate on federal, state, and private lands and interact with various DOI agencies, primarily the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) as it relates to mitigation policies.

As you know, on March 28, 2017, President Trump issued an Executive Order (EO) on Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth. The EO rescinded several orders, memoranda, and reports issued under the previous administration and directed a review of climate change and mitigation policies across the federal government.

We specifically support the EO's rescission of the November 3, 2015 Presidential Memorandum on Mitigating Impacts on Natural Resources from Development and Encouraging Related Private Investment (Presidential Memorandum). The Presidential Memorandum directed federal agencies to implement a litany of additional policies that introduced regulatory and cost uncertainty that prevent, increase the cost of, or delay responsible resource development.

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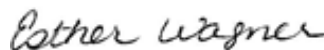
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Cc: kate_macgregor@ios.doi.gov; [Joe Balash](#); [David Bernhardt](#)
Subject: Mexico's Energy Opening Faces Test In Deepwater Oil Auction | Rigzone
Date: Saturday, January 20, 2018 9:41:00 PM

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https://www.rigzone.com/news/wire/mexicos_energy_opening_faces_test_in_deepwater_oil_auction-19-jan-2018-153204-article/?all=hg2

Sent from my iPhone

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Subject: Re: Mexico's Energy Opening Faces Test In Deepwater Oil Auction | Rigzone
Date: Sunday, January 21, 2018 9:13:17 AM

Thank you. We will circulate.

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Joint Trades Letter on Interior Mitigation Policies
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Attachments: [Joint Trades Letter re Mitigation Policies 3.27.18.pdf](#)

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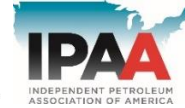
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Signatories:

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Thank you,

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March 27, 2018

Mr. David Bernhardt
Deputy Secretary
U.S. Department of the Interior
1859 C Street, NW
Washington D.C. 20240

Dear. Mr. Bernhardt,

We would like to thank you and the Department of the Interior (DOI) for recent actions that rescinded and revised mitigation policies that far exceeded statutory authority. The oil and natural gas industry continues to follow the statutory mitigation hierarchy to avoid, minimize, rectify, reduce and compensate for the impacts to lands and natural resources from energy development that powers our Nation. We look forward to working with DOI in developing reasonable mitigation policies that allow for the proper balance of species and habitat conservation with responsible resource development.

The trades represented on this letter collectively represent the oil and natural gas industry across the United States at the national, regional, and state level. Our member companies operate on federal, state, and private lands and interact with various DOI agencies, primarily the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) as it relates to mitigation policies.

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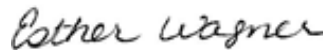
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Subject: Address Change--Please Note
Date: Wednesday, June 6, 2018 4:38:23 PM

Please note that my email address has changed. While I am hopeful that my old email will be forwarded to me, that is uncertain at this time. If you get a bounce back on the old email address, please try to use this new address. I also have a DC office address and phone number, but to avoid confusion, please use the address below.

Alan Mikkelsen
Senior Adviser to the Secretary
Water and Western Resource Issues

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [David Bernhardt](#)
Cc: [Holly A. Noles](#)
Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 10:54:50 AM

Sounds good, see you then.

On Mon, May 8, 2017 at 10:36 AM, David Bernhardt <(b) (6) David Bernhardt> wrote:
FYI. It's now 12.

David Bernhardt

(b) (6) David Bernhardt

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski)" <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>
Date: May 8, 2017 at 10:18:44 AM EDT
To: David Bernhardt <(b) (6) David Bernhardt>
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Subject: RE: Monday (5/8)

THANK YOU! They will all be ready

From: David Bernhardt [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) David Bernhardt](mailto:(b) (6) David Bernhardt)]
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 10:16 AM
To: Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>
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Kristen: I can be available if it works for others.

David Bernhardt

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On May 8, 2017, at 10:12 AM, Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov> wrote:

Is it possible to move this to noon today? Sorry today is changing yet again!!!

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Kristen: 2 works. I will meet the Senator anytime that will work for her on Monday, just let me know the time.

David Bernhardt

(b) (6) David Bernhardt

On May 6, 2017, at 8:32 PM, Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov> wrote:

Apologies for the email on a weekend but the Senator must now depart the hill during the afternoon and asks if we can shift the meeting Monday to an earlier time? Perhaps 2pm?

Kristen Daimler Nothdurft

Executive Assistant/Scheduler

Office of Senator Lisa Murkowski

Hart Senate Office Building, room 522

Washington, DC 20510

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From: D B [mailto:(b) (6) David Bernhardt]

Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 10:01 AM

To: Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski)

<Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>

Cc: Hayes, Colin (Energy)

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<Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov> wrote:

Ok lets go with 3pm – thank you!

Kristen Daimler Nothdurft

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From: [David Bernhardt](#)
To: [Amanda Kaster](#); [Holly A. Noles](#)
Subject: Fwd: Monday (5/8)
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 10:37:00 AM

FYI. It's now 12.

David Bernhardt

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski)" <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>
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THANK YOU! They will all be ready

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Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 10:16 AM
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Kristen: I can be available if it works for others.

David Bernhardt

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Is it possible to move this to noon today? Sorry today is changing yet again!!!

From: David Bernhardt [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) David Bernhardt](mailto:(b) (6) David Bernhardt)]

Sent: Saturday, May 6, 2017 9:23 PM

To: Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>

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Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)

Kristen: 2 works. I will meet the Senator anytime that will work for her on Monday, just let me know the time.

David Bernhardt

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Apologies for the email on a weekend but the Senator must now depart the hill during the afternoon and asks if we can shift the meeting Monday to an earlier time? Perhaps 2pm?

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Cc: [Holly Noles](#)
Subject: This Week's Meetings
Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 9:41:52 AM

Schedule thus far is below, which I discussed with you in person last week. I also received a few requests late on Friday. Please let me know if you would like to take those meetings.

Pending requests (no proposed dates/times from Senate staff, but wanted to confirm you would like to take these meetings): **Senator John McCain and Senator Thom Tillis.**

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

11:30am-12:00pm: Senator Daniel Sullivan (R-AK), 702 Hart Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Erik Elam
- Scheduler: Avery Fogels

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

2:00pm-2:30pm: Senator Tom Udall (D-NM), 531 Hart Senate Office Building

---Vice Chairman of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee---

- Staff Lead: Stephenne Harding
- Scheduler: Devon Wohl

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Holly Noles](#)
Cc: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Subject: Today's Meeting with Senator McCain
Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 12:35:10 PM

The Senator is running behind schedule today already due to hearings, and his scheduler was wondering if the meeting could be moved from 4:15pm to 5:30pm today. Please let me know if that does or does not work.

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#); [Holly Noles](#)
Subject: Today's Schedule: Minor Change
Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:09:31 AM

David: Senator Gardner needs to be on the floor between 5-5:30pm tonight, so they've asked to move the meeting to 5:45pm. Please confirm that will work for you.

Wednesday, May 17

---Your 10:30am is in 306 Hart---

12:00-12:30pm: Senator Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV), 204 Russell Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Hilary Barrett
- Scheduler: Bridget Kelleher

1:30-2:00pm: Senator Martin Heinrich (D-NM), 303 Hart Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Maya Heinrich
- Scheduler: Mike DeSpain

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- Staff Lead: Kaitlynn Glover
- Scheduler: Kathi Wise

---I will need to leave after this meeting but will be back for the 5:00pm---

5:00-5:30pm: Senator James Risch (R-ID), 438 Russell Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Tim Petty
- Scheduler: Rachel Burkett

---Risch is one floor above Gardner---

5:45-6:15pm: Senator Cory Gardner (R-CO), 354 Russell Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Jennifer Loraine
- Scheduler: Amy Barrera

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From: [Amanda Kaster](#)
To: [Holly Noles](#); DBernhardt@bhfs.com
Subject: Tomorrow's meeting with Tillis
Date: Thursday, June 8, 2017 7:18:28 PM

Tillis' scheduler just asked me if the meeting could be moved to 10:45am rather than 10:30am. Sorry for all the back and forth on this, please let me know if that works.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Announcement, DOI](#)
Subject: Your Invitation to Interior's Independence Day Celebration
Date: Monday, June 12, 2017 9:59:03 AM
Attachments: [DOI_email_header.png](#)



U.S. Department of the Interior

The U.S. Department of Interior invites you to celebrate the 4th of July with Secretary Ryan Zinke at
Interior's Independence Day Celebration

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Immediate Office of the Secretary
Department of the Interior Building
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20240

Parking will be available in Interior's "D" Parking Garage. The garage is located on C Street and 18th Street.

We hope you are able to join us and ask that you RSVP by 5:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 by clicking [HERE](#).

Due to the limited event capacity, we can only accommodate one guest per person.
This invitation is non-transferable.

Please let us know if you have any questions. You may contact us at natalie_davis@ios.doi.gov

Thank you,
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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Cc: [Holly Noles](#)
Subject: Your Updated Schedule for this Week
Date: Monday, May 15, 2017 6:00:44 PM

Tuesday, May 16

9:00-9:30am: Senator Angus King (I-ME), 133 Hart Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Morgan Cashwell
- Scheduler: Matthew Liscovitz

---Your 10:30am is in 306 Hart---

12:00-12:30pm: Senator Ron Wyden (D-OR), 221 Dirksen Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Wesley Look
- Scheduler: Montana Judd

4:00-4:30pm: Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA), 511 Hart Senate Office Building

- Staff Leads: Sam Fowler and Angela Becker-Dippmann
- Scheduler: Christian Chiles

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To: [Holly Noles](#)
Cc: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Subject: Following Up: 5/9 Tuesday Schedule
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 9:19:16 AM

Hi Holly,

Hope you had a nice weekend. I wanted to circle back on an email I sent this weekend and share the three tentative meetings I have scheduled thus far for tomorrow. Please let me know if there are any issues or conflicts; if not, I will confirm these immediately.

Tuesday, May 9

8:15-8:45am: Senator Cory Gardner (R-CO), 354 Russell Senate Office Building

10:30-11:00am: Senator Steve Daines (R-MT), 320 Hart Senate Office Building

11:15-11:45am: Senator Mike Lee (R-UT), 361A Russell Senate Office Building

Thank you,
Amanda

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Subject: GREAT COMMENTS BY OUR NEW INTERIOR SECRETARY!!!!
Date: Monday, March 13, 2017 7:11:02 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Loved this story and the pictures from Secretary Zinke's trip to Montana!!!



On First Trip as Interior Secretary, Zinke Vows to Reorganize Department

Whitefish native Ryan Zinke visits Glacier National Park to discuss infrastructure maintenance backlog

BY [JUSTIN FRANZ](#) // MAR 10, 2017 // [NEWS & FEATURES](#)







WEST GLACIER — Nine days after being sworn in as the 52nd Secretary of the Interior, Ryan Zinke made his first official trip from Washington D.C. to a familiar place: Glacier National Park.

The Whitefish native, tapped by President Donald Trump to lead the agency that oversees 500 million acres of federal public lands, met with National Park Service employees on March 10 to talk about his hopes and goals for the next four years. Chief among those priorities is a “21st century reorganization” of the Department of Interior.

“We need to be bold and look at what the Department of Interior will be 100 years from now,” he said.

During his visit on Friday, Zinke met with Glacier Park Superintendent Jeff Mow to discuss the backlog of maintenance within the park. According to Zinke, there is \$12 billion worth of deferred maintenance within the park system, including \$125 million in Glacier Park. Much of that is related to roads and bridges. Among the infrastructure priorities within Glacier National Park is the reopening of the Inside North Fork Road, part of which was washed out and never repaired a few years ago.

Zinke said that he and the president want to tackle the National Park Service’s infrastructure needs to ensure that it can handle a growing number of visitors. In 2016, more than 330 million people visited a national park, up 7.7 percent from the previous year.

“The president supports the fact that our parks are the face of the Department of the Interior,” Zinke said. “We want to make sure the visitor experience is world-class.”

Other goals of Zinke’s proposed reorganization — which he said he plans to roll out in the next six to eight months — include rebuilding relations with land users and listening more to local land managers.

“If you don’t know the difference between the Potomac, the Yellowstone or the Middle Fork, you probably shouldn’t be making decisions that impact those places,” he said. “I’m going to push as much authority as I can back to the front lines.”

At the core of Zinke’s proposed reorganization would be ensuring that the many agencies under the Interior’s umbrella work well together and better utilize assets, particularly when it comes to tasks like fighting wildfires.

Zinke also discussed the importance of utilizing technology to reach out to young people to help develop another generation of dedicated land stewards. He said expanding wireless Internet services within the parks could be part of that strategy.

Aside from meeting with NPS employees, Zinke met with the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council and received a traditional blessing from the tribe. Chairman Harry Barnes said the members talked to Zinke about the importance of the Blackfeet water compact and the Badger-Two Medicine, a sacred area in the Lewis and Clark National Forest between the Blackfeet Indian Reservation and Glacier National Park. The Blackfeet have spent years trying to dissolve a series of gas and oil leases in the Badger-Two Medicine. The final remaining lease is the subject of a court battle, and Barnes said if the court rules in favor of the owner, Solenex LLC, he hopes the Department of Interior would file an appeal.

“We’ve been trying to protect the Badger-Two Medicine for 30 years and we’re not about to lose it,” Barnes said.

Prior to departing his meeting with NPS employees, Zinke reiterated how excited he was to be the new Secretary of the Interior and that he was ready for the task ahead.

“I grew up in Whitefish and hiked most of these hills here in Glacier National Park, so I think I’m up to the task of making sure I articulate how important it is to have recreational opportunities on our public lands,” he said.

This is exciting!

Derrick

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From: [Guiden, Nancy](#)
To: [Nancy Guiden](#)
Subject: Invitation for Secretary Zinke Reception
Date: Wednesday, March 1, 2017 5:37:15 PM

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Washington, DC

Please RSVP by emailing us at nancy_guiden@ios.doi.gov

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#); [Holly Noles](#)
Subject: Meeting with Senator Dean Heller
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:10:19 AM

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Does that date and time work for you?

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From: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
To: ["Kaster, Amanda"; Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: RE: Following Up: 5/9 Tuesday Schedule
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 9:25:59 AM

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Sent: Monday, May 08, 2017 9:19 AM
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11:15-11:45am: Senator Mike Lee (R-UT), 361A Russell Senate Office Building

Thank you,
Amanda

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To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
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Subject: Re: Following Up: 5/9 Tuesday Schedule
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 9:29:16 AM

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To: ["Kaster, Amanda"; Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting with Senator Dean Heller
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:12:07 AM

I have a conflict at 11:30-1 and 2-3;30 that day.

From: Kaster, Amanda [mailto:amanda_kaster@ios.doi.gov]
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To: Bernhardt, David L.; Noles, Holly A.
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From: [Amanda Kaster](#)
To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Cc: [Holly Noles](#)
Subject: Re: Meeting with Senator Dean Heller
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:46:51 AM

Thank you. Will confirm now.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 14, 2017, at 10:45 AM, Bernhardt, David L. <DBernhardt@bhfs.com> wrote:

Yes

David Bernhardt

On Jun 14, 2017, at 10:26 AM, Kaster, Amanda <amanda_kaster@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Would 11:30am on Wednesday, June 21 work?

On Wed, Jun 14, 2017 at 10:11 AM, Bernhardt, David L.
<DBernhardt@bhfs.com> wrote:

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To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Cc: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: Re: Meeting with Senator Dean Heller
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 10:26:03 AM

Would 11:30am on Wednesday, June 21 work?

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From: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
To: ["Kaster, Amanda"](#)
Cc: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Subject: RE: Monday (5/8)
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 11:00:53 AM

It should be 522 Hart.

Holly Noles

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From: Kaster, Amanda [mailto:amanda_kaster@ios.doi.gov]
Sent: Monday, May 08, 2017 10:57 AM
To: Noles, Holly A.
Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)

Holly, do you have a room number for this meeting?

On Mon, May 8, 2017 at 10:36 AM, David Bernhardt <(b) (6) David Bernhardt> wrote:
FYI. It's now 12.

David Bernhardt

(b) (6) David Bernhardt

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski)" <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>
Date: May 8, 2017 at 10:18:44 AM EDT
To: David Bernhardt <(b) (6) David Bernhardt>
Cc: "Hayes, Colin (Energy)" <Colin_Hayes@energy.senate.gov>, "O'Scannell, Ayla (Murkowski)" <Ayla_O'Scannell@murkowski.senate.gov>, "Hoefer, Annie (Energy)" <Annie_Hoefer@energy.senate.gov>
Subject: RE: Monday (5/8)

THANK YOU! They will all be ready

From: David Bernhardt [mailto: [\(b\) \(6\) David Bernhardt](mailto:(b) (6) David Bernhardt)]
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 10:16 AM
To: Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>
Cc: Hayes, Colin (Energy) <Colin_Hayes@energy.senate.gov>; O'Scannell, Ayla (Murkowski) <Ayla_O'Scannell@murkowski.senate.gov>; Hoefer, Annie (Energy) <Annie_Hoefer@energy.senate.gov>

Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)

Kristen: I can be available if it works for others.

David Bernhardt

(b) (6) David Bernhardt

On May 8, 2017, at 10:12 AM, Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov> wrote:

Is it possible to move this to noon today? Sorry today is changing yet again!!!

From: David Bernhardt [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) David Bernhardt](mailto:(b) (6) David Bernhardt)]

Sent: Saturday, May 6, 2017 9:23 PM

To: Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>

Cc: Hayes, Colin (Energy) <Colin_Hayes@energy.senate.gov>; O'Scannell, Ayla (Murkowski) <Ayla_O'Scannell@murkowski.senate.gov>; Hoeftler, Annie (Energy) <Annie_Hoeftler@energy.senate.gov>

Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)

Kristen: 2 works. I will meet the Senator anytime that will work for her on Monday, just let me know the time.

David Bernhardt

(b) (6) David Bernhardt

On May 6, 2017, at 8:32 PM, Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov> wrote:

Apologies for the email on a weekend but the Senator must now depart the hill during the afternoon and asks if we can shift the meeting Monday to an earlier time? Perhaps 2pm?

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Washington, DC 20510
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202-224-4349 scheduling fax

From: D B [mailto:(b) (6) David Bernhardt]
Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 10:01 AM
To: Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski)
<Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>
Cc: Hayes, Colin (Energy)
<Colin_Hayes@energy.senate.gov>; O'Scannell, Ayla
(Murkowski) <Ayla_O'Scannell@murkowski.senate.gov>;
Hoefler, Annie (Energy)
<Annie_Hoefler@energy.senate.gov>
Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)

Thanks.

On May 4, 2017, at 10:00 AM, Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen (Murkowski)
<Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov> wrote:

Ok lets go with 3pm – thank you!

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<Ayla_O'Scannell@murkowski.senate.gov>;
Hoefler, Annie (Energy)
<Annie_Hoefler@energy.senate.gov>
Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)

No preference.

On May 4, 2017, at 9:59 AM,
Daimler-Nothdurft, Kristen
(Murkowski)
<Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>

wrote:

I can do either – do you have a preference as to 3 or 3:30? Thank you!

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<(b) (6) David Bernhardt
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(Murkowski) <Kristen_Daimler-Nothdurft@murkowski.senate.gov>;
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<Annie_Hoefler@energy.senate.gov>
Subject: RE: Monday (5/8)

David, dropping Alex and adding Kristen and Ayla.
They'll confirm whether it is 3pm or 3:30pm on Monday.

The meeting will be in the Senator's personal office, yes.

Colin

From: D B
[mailto:(b) (6) David Bernhardt]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 9:55 AM
To: Hayes, Colin (Energy)
Cc: Alex Flint - NEI
(b) (6)
Subject: Re: Monday (5/8)

Colin: Thanks for getting some times. Either time will work for me. Alex will not be attending this meeting. His greatly appreciated pro bono assistance has come to the close as he works on more pressing items. Therefore, I will likely bring one person from the Department to the meeting with me, but I have not yet identified that person. One final question, will the meeting be in her personal office?

Thanks,
David

On May 4, 2017, at
9:47 AM, Hayes,
Colin (Energy)
<Colin_Hayes@energy.senate.gov>
wrote:

Any preference
between 3pm and
3:30pm?

Colin

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To: ["Kaster, Amanda"](#)
Cc: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: RE: Senator Heitkamp Meeting
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 5:13:49 PM

Amanda: Thanks. Please include Holly on all scheduling emails.

David

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Cc: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: Re: Senator Heitkamp Meeting
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 5:30:11 PM

Yes. Was just confirming with you first.

Holly, I'll send you the full details shortly.

On Wed, Jun 14, 2017 at 5:13 PM, Bernhardt, David L. <DBernhardt@bhfs.com> wrote:

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From: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
To: [Amanda Kaster](#)
Cc: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: Re: Senator Heitkamp Meeting
Date: Thursday, June 15, 2017 4:13:59 PM

Yes

David Bernhardt

On Jun 15, 2017, at 4:07 PM, Amanda Kaster <amanda_kaster@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
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From: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
To: ["Kaster, Amanda"; Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Subject: RE: Senator Susan Collins Meeting
Date: Friday, June 23, 2017 10:36:26 AM

I don't know if you meant Monday the 10th or Tuesday the 11th but he is free both days at that time.

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From: Kaster, Amanda [mailto:amanda_kaster@ios.doi.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 9:46 AM
To: Noles, Holly A.; Bernhardt, David L.
Subject: Senator Susan Collins Meeting

Senator Collins needs to move the meeting from 2pm this Monday to Tuesday, July 10 at 2:30pm. Please let me know if that works.

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To: ["Kaster, Amanda"](#)
Cc: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: RE: This Week's Meetings
Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 9:43:55 AM

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David

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Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 9:41 AM
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Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 9:51:14 AM

Ok.

David Bernhardt

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Subject: Re: This Week's Meetings
Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 9:45:57 AM

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Subject: Re: Today's Schedule: Minor Change
Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 10:20:05 AM

Okay.

On Wed, May 17, 2017 at 10:10 AM, Bernhardt, David L. <DBernhardt@bhfs.com> wrote:
We can cancel the meeting.

David Bernhardt

On May 17, 2017, at 10:09 AM, Kaster, Amanda <amanda_kaster@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

David: Senator Gardner needs to be on the floor between 5-5:30pm tonight, so they've asked to move the meeting to 5:45pm. Please confirm that will work for you.

Wednesday, May 17

---Your 10:30am is in 306 Hart---

12:00-12:30pm: Senator Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV), 204 Russell Senate Office Building

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---I will need to leave after this meeting but will be back for the 5:00pm---

5:00-5:30pm: Senator James Risch (R-ID), 438 Russell Senate Office Building

- Staff Lead: Tim Petty
- Scheduler: Rachel Burkett

---Risch is one floor above Gardner---

5:45-6:15pm: Senator Cory Gardner (R-CO), 354 Russell Senate Office Building

- **Staff Lead: Jennifer Loraine**
- **Scheduler: Amy Barrera**

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From: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
To: [Amanda Kaster](#)
Cc: [Noles, Holly A.](#)
Subject: Re: Tomorrow's meeting with Tillis
Date: Thursday, June 8, 2017 7:28:08 PM

That's fine

David Bernhardt

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To: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Cc: [Holly Noles](#)
Subject: Re: Your Updated Schedule for this Week
Date: Monday, May 15, 2017 6:23:43 PM

Apologies, the above version is missing a meeting. See revised:

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- Staff Lead: Morgan Cashwell
- Scheduler: Matthew Liscovitz

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- Staff Lead: Wesley Look
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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Holly Noles](#)
Cc: [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Subject: Senator Feinstein Meeting
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 5:49:30 PM

Senator Feinstein would like to meet at 3pm on Monday, June 19. Please let me know if this might work for David's schedule.

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From: [Kaster, Amanda](#)
To: [Holly Noles](#); [Bernhardt, David L.](#)
Subject: Senator Susan Collins Meeting
Date: Friday, June 23, 2017 9:46:28 AM

Senator Collins needs to move the meeting from 2pm this Monday to Tuesday, July 10 at 2:30pm. Please let me know if that works.

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